

Service at 13234 South Baltimore Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, as the "John J. Buchanan Post Office Building"; H.R. 28, Quality Child Care for Federal Employees Act; H.R. 1442, amended, Law Enforcement and Public Safety Enhancement Act of 1999; H.R. 1219, amended, Construction Industry Payment Protection Act of 1999; and H.R. 457, Organ Donor Leave Act.

The Committee also approved the following: a draft report entitled: "Making the Federal Government Accountable: Enforcing the Mandate for Effective Financial Management"; and the release of Interrogatories and Documents related to Committee investigation of illegal fundraising.

#### **OVERSIGHT—MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE'S ROYALTY VALUATION PROGRAM**

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology held an oversight hearing on the Minerals Management Service's Royalty Valuation Program. Testimony was heard from Susan Kladiva, Associate Director, Energy, Resources, and Science Issues, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, GAO; the following officials of the Department of the Interior: Sylvia Baca, Acting Assistant Secretary, Land and Minerals Management; and Robert Williams, Acting Inspector General; and public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Ordered reported the following bills: H.R. 1659, amended, National Police Training Commission Act of 1999; H.R. 462, to clarify that governmental pension plans of the possessions of the United States shall be treated in the same manner as State pension plans for purposes of the limitation on the State income taxation of pension income; and H.R. 576, to amend title 4, United States Code, to add the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday to the list of days on which the flag should especially be displayed.

The Committee also approved private relief bills.

#### **AMERICAN LAND SOVEREIGNTY PROTECTION ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 883, American Land Sovereignty Protection Act.

The rule provides that the bill will be open for amendment at any point and that the amendment process shall not exceed 4 hours. The rule makes in order only those amendments preprinted in the Congressional Record and pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. The rule provides that the amend-

ments may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or his designee, shall be considered as read, and may be amended.

The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Young and Representatives Miller of California and Vento.

#### **NATIONAL MISSILE DEFENSE DEPLOYMENT**

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, a rule which makes in order a motion to concur in the Senate amendment in the House to the bill, H.R. 4, to declare it to be the policy of the United States to deploy a national missile defense. The rule provides 1 hour of debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services.

#### **VETERAN'S MILLENNIUM HEALTH CARE ACT**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on Veteran's Millennium Health Care Act. Testimony was heard from Kenneth W. Kitser, M.D., Under Secretary, Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; and representatives of veterans' organizations.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MAY 20, 1999**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to continue hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for foreign assistance programs, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings on S. 97, to require the installation and use by schools and libraries of a technology for filtering or blocking material on the Internet on computers with Internet access to be eligible to receive or retain universal service assistance, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to hold hearings on issues relating to commercial space, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to resume hearings to examine damage to the national security from alleged Chinese espionage at the Department of Energy nuclear weapons laboratories, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold hearings on S. 348, to

authorize and facilitate a program to enhance training, research and development, energy conservation and efficiency, and consumer education in the oilheat industry for the benefit of oilheat consumers and the public, 2 p.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform's Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, on the Administration's fiscal year 2000 budget request for climate change programs and compliance with various statutory provisions in fiscal year 1999 appropriations acts requiring detailed accounting of climate change spending and performance measures for each requested increase in funding, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to resume hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed sulfur standard for gasoline as contained in the proposed Tier Two standards for automobiles, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 746, to provide for analysis of major rules, to promote the public's right to know the costs and benefits of major rules, and to increase the accountability of quality of Government; S. 59, to provide Government-wide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits; S. 468, to improve the effectiveness and performance of Federal financial assistance programs, simplify Federal financial assistance application and reporting requirements, and improve the delivery of services to the public; the nomination of Eric T. Washington, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals; the nomination of Stephen H. Glickman, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals; the nomination of Hiram E. Puig-Lugo, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; the nomination of John T. Spotila, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget; S. 712, to amend title 39, United States Code, to allow postal patrons to contribute to funding for highway-rail grade crossing safety through the voluntary purchase of certain specially issued United States postage stamps; H.R. 858, to amend title 11, District of Columbia Code, to extend coverage under the whistleblower protection provisions of the District of Columbia Comprehensive Merit Personnel Act of 1978 to personnel of the courts of the District of Columbia; and S. 943, to authorize the Administrator of General Services to restore, preserve, and operate the LBJ Presidential Office Suite in Austin, Texas, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Full Committee,* to hold closed oversight hearings on the national security methods and processes relating to the Wen-Ho Lee espionage investigation, 1 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to resume hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds

for programs of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 10 a.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings on S. 555, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to continue payment of monthly educational assistance benefits to veterans enrolled at educational institutions during periods between terms if the interval between such periods does not exceed eight weeks; S. 695, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Atlanta, Georgia, metropolitan area; S. 940, to provide a temporary authority for the use of voluntary separation incentives by the Department of Veterans Affairs to reduce employment levels, restructure staff; and S. 1076, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide a cost-of-living adjustment in rates of compensation paid to veterans with service-connected disabilities, to enhance programs providing health care, education, and other benefits for veterans, to authorize major medical facility projects, to reform eligibility for burial in Arlington National Cemetery, 2:15 p.m., SR-418.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research and Specialty Crops, to continue hearings on Commodity Futures Trading Commission Reauthorization, 9:30 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* to mark up the following appropriations for fiscal year 2000: Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government; and Legislative, 9:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services,* hearing on key international fiscal issues, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* hearing on the Budget Process, 11 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to continue hearings on Electricity Competition, focusing on PURPA, Stranded Costs, and the Environment, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on the Threat on Bioterrorism in America: Assessing the Adequacy of Federal Law Relating to Dangerous Biological Agents, 9:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing on Federal Communications Commission Reform: The States' Perspective, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* hearing on Academic Achievement for All: Increasing Flexibility and Improving Student Performance and Accountability, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform,* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources, hearing on School Violence: What is Being Done to Combat School Violence? What should be Done? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to mark up the following measures: H.R. 102, the National Youth Crime Prevention Demonstration Act; H.R. 1501, Consequences for Juvenile Offenders Act of 1999; and H.J. Res. 33, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United

States authorizing the Congress to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, and Intellectual Property, to mark up the following: H.R. 354, Collections of Information Antipiracy Act; the American Inventors Protection Act; H.R. 1565, Trademark Amendments Act of 1999; the Multidistrict Trial Jurisdiction Act of 1999; H.R. 1761, Copyright Damages Improvement Act of 1999; and H.R. 1225, United States Patent and Trademark Office Reauthorization Act, Fiscal Year 2000, 2 p.m., 2226 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, oversight hearing on Steller Sea Lions, 2 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forest and Forest Health, oversight hearing on County Schools 25% Fund Stabilization, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on California Central Valley Water Management, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science*, hearing on Security at the Department of Energy: Who's Protecting the Nation's Secrets, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on Easing Traffic Congestion and Improving Vehicle Safety: ITS and Transportation Technology Solutions for the 21st Century, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Benefits, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1071, Mont-

gomery GI Bill Improvement Act of 1999; and H.R. 1182, Servicemembers Educational Opportunity Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on National Cemeteries, including Arlington National Cemetery, 10 a.m., 340 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, to mark up H.R. 1833, Trade Agency Authorizations, Drug Free Borders and Prevention of On-Line Pornography Act of 1999, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Human Resources, to mark up H.R. 1802, Foster Care Independence Act of 1999, 11 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing on U.S. Customs Service passenger inspection operations, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meetings

*Joint Meetings*: Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production and Regulation, to hold joint oversight hearings with the House Committee on Government Reform's Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs, on the Administration's fiscal year 2000 budget request for climate change programs and compliance with various statutory provisions in fiscal year 1999 appropriations acts requiring detailed accounting of climate change spending and performance measures for each requested increase in funding, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.